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SUBJECT: SHABA INCURSION: LOGISTICS SUPPORT FOR BELGIUM FOR SECRETARY FROM MOOSE

- 1. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, BELOW ARE SUMMARIZED PROVISIONAL DECISIONS TAKEN AT THIS MORNING'S MEETING IN WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM, AARON IN CHAIR, DEPUTY SECRETARY DUNCAN, JCS ACTING CHAIRMAN GENERAL JONES, AND MYSELF ATTENDING:
- 2. AARON WILL GETPRESIDENTIAL GUIDANCE ON FOLLOWING RECOMMENDED RESPONSE TO BELGIAN REQUESTS FOR FURTHER LOGISTICS SUPPORT.

A. APPROVE ONE LAST C-141 FLIGHT, BRUSSELS TO KAMINA, WITH SPARE PARTS.

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B. LEND BELGIANS RUBBER BLADDERS TO TRANSPORT JET FUEL FROM KINSHASA TO KAMINA ON THEIR OWN PLANES.

C. LEND BELGIANS USAF RUBBER TANKS (4 X 50,000 GALLONS EACH) AND FUEL PUMPING EQUIPMENT NOW ON GROUND AT KAMINA AND TRAIN BELGIAN MILITARY (TAKES THREE DAYS FROM START) TO OPERATE IT. WITHDRAW US OPERATING PERSONNEL.

D.LEND BELGIANS USAF SMALL COMMUNICATIONS VAN (WITH SATELLITE ANTENNA) AT KAMINA, WITH ONE AMCIT TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR MAINTENANCE.

RESULT: ASSUMING THE PRESIDENT AND THE BELGIANS CONCUR, SHORTLY THEREAFTER THERE WOULD BE NO FURTHER USAF SUPPORT PERSONNEL IN ZAIRE; BEYOND THE ONE FURTHER C-141 SORTIE (WELL OUTSIDE THE KOLWEZI AREA) NO FURTHER USAF SUPPORT FLIGHTS TO ZAIRE. RETURN USAF FLIGHTS TO EUROPE COULD BE USED IN CERTAIN CASES AND FURTHER CRITICAL NEEDS WOULD BE CONSIDERED CASE BY CASE. CHRISTOPHER

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